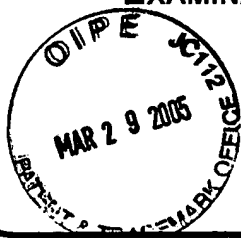


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1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☒ Return Postcard
- c. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-2555
- ☒ Fee Transmittal Enclosed (in duplicate)
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$1,030 enclosed

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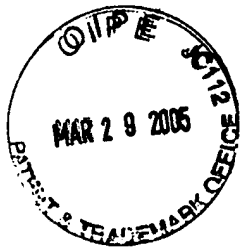
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT E AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This Request of Continued Examination and Amendment E and Response for the patent application identified above is in response to the Advisory Action dated July 27, 2004. Applicant herein withdraws the Appeal and requests reopening of the prosecution of this application. Extensions of time for submitting this RCE are hereby requested.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.

Kindly amend this application as indicated herein.

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